

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: SIMON PAUL DAVIS  
Serial No.: NOT YET ASSIGNED  
Filed: JULY 25, 2001  
Title: IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING TO SWITCHING  
DEVICES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

July 27, 2001

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the claims prior  
to the examination of the application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claim 2 without prejudice to or disclaimer of  
the subject matter thereof.

(Applicant's Remarks are set forth hereinbelow, starting on the  
following page.)

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REMARKS

Entry of the amendments to the claims before examination of the application is respectfully requested. These claims patentably define over the art of record.

If there are any questions regarding this Preliminary Amendment or this application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #3036/50214).

Respectfully submitted,

  
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